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Gen. B. Stanton
 New York Feb. 24. 1856

Bro. Phelps,

The decision of the Committee is as follows:

1. Goodell remains in R. Island State, my place.
2. I go first to Africa, see Weld, get his Bible views, - go over the subject generally with him, - then again to Connecticut & commence labors there.
3. We are to do all we can, & decide the point by & by, whether we form the State Society before the Anniversaries. The opinion of the Committee is, that it will be inexpedient to aim to do it by that time. Better labor at present in those towns where the Southerners herd, & get the water hot for them before they come, - & when they arrive in the summer, we will retire to the other towns & in the fall, form our State Society. The Committee are rather of the opinion that it is unwise to commence in Hartford County. They say, take hold of the easier parts of the State first - get them with you, & then, with all the momentum thus acquired, make an onset on these the harder spots. They think Weld will ^{labor in} Conn, two or three weeks or a month, after Anniversaries.
4. When I shall be in ~~Conn.~~ ^{Conn.} Can't run say. - Will write you from Africa. Probably in about two weeks, I shall "be on hand". So get Phillips immediately with you. Love to your kind wife. Your brother Stanton